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### RE: New Values for NSF Code Data Element in CAFEXF file

The National Science Foundation (NSF) conducts an annual Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Universities and Colleges, which includes all University of California campuses. The NSF survey is used to inform national policy and is broadly accessed by federal, state, and private organizations with an interest in academic research activity. The data element 'NSF Code' in the CAFEXF.mmmmy interface file is critical to providing accurate survey responses to NSF. Previously this data element had code values for science & engineering fields as defined by NSF. In order to supply a more complete picture of research expenditures at the University, additional code values have been created for NSF's non-science & engineering fields. The data element description is at [http://www.ucop.edu/irc/campus\\_specs/caf/nsf\\_dis\\_cd.html](http://www.ucop.edu/irc/campus_specs/caf/nsf_dis_cd.html) and the code values are listed at [http://www.ucop.edu/irc/campus\\_specs/caf/nsf\\_detail.html](http://www.ucop.edu/irc/campus_specs/caf/nsf_detail.html).

Implementation of the new codes prior to the submission of June 2006 CAFEXF files is encouraged so that Fiscal Year 2005-06 NSF survey responses can include this information for your campus.

Please share this information with the appropriate campus personnel. If you have questions, please contact Robert Baum at (510) 987-0396 or [Robert.Baum@ucop.edu](mailto:Robert.Baum@ucop.edu).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kristine Hafner".

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